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## Hammond Answers Critics Of Court

Why New Setup Is Expensive

Fifth District Income Won't Match Expenses

By BRANDOW BROWN Staff Writer

Comparing a \$400,000-plus proposed 1970 Fifth District court budget with a \$224,736 Berrien circuit court budget is like comparing "a whale and an elephant," Fifth District Presiding Judge John T. Hammond said last night.

Speaking at a monthly meeting in Berrien Springs of the Berrien county GOP committee, Judge Hammond estimated circuit court actually spends on the "sunny side of a half-million dollars" annually, though circuit's case load is 2,500 and Fifth District's is "about 30,000 a year."

Circuit court's budget seems lower because it does not include costs of Friend of the Court, county clerk staff, adult probation and parole, or rent, Judge Hammond said.

**'NO COMPARISON'**

But, he added, "We're talking about comparing a whale and an elephant" and "you cannot compare the two."

The judge's remarks followed



TELL DISTRICT COURT AIMS: Fifth District Presiding Judge John Hammond (left) and Judge Paul Pollard tell top Berrien GOP members last night that court's aim is to rehabilitate potential felons and provide quick civil suit action. (Staff photo)

a question on the "vast disparity" between 1970 proposed budgets for the two court systems from Berrien Prosecutor Ronald J. Taylor.

When Taylor pursued the question, Hammond replied: "I

don't want to get baited into a dispute with somebody who isn't here," apparently referring to circuit judges.

Other highlights last night from talks by Judge Hammond and his compatriot, Fifth District Judge Paul Pollard:

—No estimate is available on how much Fifth District is earning against its \$359,700 budget for 1969, but it probably won't be enough.

—District court's long-range goals are to give the average man quick justice in civil cases, and cut crime by rehabilitating the potential felons convicted in district court of petty crimes by probation.

—Fifth district fines and costs, criticized by some as too high, may have reached their peak.

**WON'T BREAK EVEN**

"Our court will not, I suspect, break even this year," Judge Hammond said. "No one ever said it would..."

But district courts may "pay off" in the long run by cutting future crime through rehabilitation today of potential felons, Judge Pollard said.

"Never before have we had the chance to take a potential felon and supervise his activities over a long period of time," he said.

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# THE HERALD-PRESS

## Editorial Page

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# Season Opens Against Conglomerates

Worried that a Democratic Congress may hatch a new anti-trust statute which could do more harm than good, the Administration is moving in two directions on the financial Whiz Kid of the present time, the conglomerate.

President Nixon announced he would send a bill to Congress shortly barring banks from joining hands with any business whose function is not connected to finances, and his Attorney General, Richard W. McLaren, filed suit Monday to force Ling-Temco-Voight, Inc., to sell off its 63 per cent ownership in the Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation.

Within Congress action is stirring from other quadrants.

Senator Hart is putting the finishing touches on a bill setting an absolute maximum on the size of any business enterprise.

Cong. Celler is arranging a hearing into the inherent soundness of the conglomerate come the day when it might not be riding the wave's crest.

Another Congressman seeks to deflate the agglomeration boom by removing the tax advantage of swapping stock for debt securities. Under present regulations, this is a tax free exchange until the ex-stockholder sells his debentures (notes) from the conglomerate. If he waits six months to sell, he has the advantage of capital gains rates. The anti-conglomerate minded Congressman would shove the exchange into the ordinary income tax bracket once the exchange was made.

Jim Ling, the former airplane mechanic turned financial wizard, says he will fight the J & L suit all the way, and unless McLaren can thread his way through the lower federal courts with any kind of success and speed, Congress could stir a dozen anti-trust puddings before the Supreme Court gives a final ruling.

While the Supreme Court is quite anti-trust minded, not all of

## Traffic Satellites

Traffic control by orbiting satellites? That is a recommendation from the National Research Council, but it didn't refer to congested highways.

After a two-year study, a committee of the council concluded earth-oriented satellites, as differentiated from the universe exploring kind, have a definite use in modern civilization. One such use, it believes, is to help guide surface ships and planes across the North Atlantic, as well as direct rescue operations in case of trouble.

"The technological accomplishments from NASA's programs," said the committee report, "allow us to conclude that space technology can be applied in a variety of ways . . . and that a number of practical uses can be reality within the next few years."

This study, which was organized at NASA's requests, expresses the concern of many scientists at the direction of the space program. Instead of concentrating almost exclusively on manned spacecraft and the exploration of the universe, they ask, why not begin using some of the technology which has been developed for space hardware which could be of immediate use to man on his own planet?

This is a valid question. White man has his eyes riveted on the moon, he may be overlooking tools already available in his laboratory which could help with more serious concerns here at home.

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the federal district and appellate judges feel that sensitively about business combinations. Time, therefore, is of the essence, as the lawyers say, to McLaren's cause.

The controversy is heated because the government and the business community seek to draw a "good guys vs. the bad guys" distinction among the conglomerates.

A "good guy" conglomerate is one put together either by cash sales or exchange of stock and whose top management essentially is operational rather than financial.

We have several examples in this area.

National Standard (wire products and metal fabrications) owns a forging plant (Buchanan Steel Products).

Consolidated Foods ranges far beyond food processing, as exemplified by Michigan Fruit Canners, into textiles, the Fuller Brush Man, and even service industries.

Clark Equipment, originally an automotive supplier only, got into the highway construction machinery business by acquiring Ross Carrier and into commercial refrigeration by taking over Tyler Fixtures.

Textron is only step in its original fabric business. Locally it is in die casting (Paramount) and the foundry business (National Motor Castings at South Haven and Campbell, Wyant & Cannon at Muskegon). Elsewhere in the country it runs ever more diverse activities.

Ball Brothers gave up on fruit jars some years ago. It is now in the aerospace world in one area, in plastic moldings (Industrial Rubber) here, and other ventures elsewhere.

The "bad guys" type, as the government and many businesses see it, for the most part are being slapped together by financing which is open to question. The shareholder in a company to be acquired trades his stock for the conglomerate's promissory notes.

The top management in the conglomerate has little or no personal background in the varied businesses it buys up.

It is this wheeler dealer approach that is raising misgivings in Washington and in the business community. It works fine marketwise for the conglomerate's stock as long as the economy is on the upswing. What may happen come a downturn, particularly to the holding company's debt repayment ability, is the question being raised.

The government's implementation of the anti-trust laws, of which the Jones & Laughlin case is a prime illustration, to a certain extent has created this conglomerate problem.

In the late '50s the Eisenhower Administration, apprehensive over possible Democratic criticism, told J&L and Bethlehem Steel it would take their proposed merger into court.

Although Bethlehem and J&L specialize considerably in steelmaking, the Justice Department claimed the consolidation would exert undue pressure in the total business.

Actually the merger would have put the resulting company in a stronger competitive position with the other steel companies, specially the No. 1 firm, U.S. Steel.

By denying J&L a shelter, the government simplified the LTV takeover some years later.

At the bottom of the "bad buys" conglomerate dispute is that it refutes the geometric theorem that the whole can not be greater than the sum of its parts.

If A, B, C, and D are each worth \$50,000, the combination of ABCD should equal \$200,000. At least that's what we recall from our high school textbook on geometry.

The stock market seemingly says ABCD, by definition only, is really worth \$250,000 or \$300,000.

The difference is that geometry measures in the present tense, whereas the market is guessing into the future.

The market is no better than its players. Guesses can go every which direction.

The men wheeling and dealing in these free and easy conglomerates have no patent on crystal ball gazing.

They are running a chancy game which needs cooling down.



## The Old Lamplighter

# GLANCING BACKWARDS

### WHIRLPOOL INKS PACT WITH ST. JOE

**—1 Year Ago—**

A lease agreement between Whirlpool Corp. and the City of St. Joseph that gives Whirlpool an option to buy the city-owned tract known as the "East Marina" was approved by the city commission.

The city commission in February authorized City Manager Leland Hill and City Attorney A. G. Preston to negotiate with Whirlpool after the firm suggested it was interested in a purchase at \$10,000 an acre. The size of the tract is nearly four acres.

### FOURTEEN TO VIE FOR QUEEN TITLE

**—1 Year Ago—**

Fourteen Three Oaks high school girls will vie for the title of "Miss Three Oaks of 1959" at the local queen contest set for Monday, April 13.

Taking part in the contest will be Nancy Jelinek, Rose Marie Davis, Virginia Tappan, Mary Freehling, Judy Quadlin, Donna Jean Carpenter, Janet Bryant, Mary Lou Chilson, Diana Helenga, Carolyn Conely, Sandra Freehling, Margery Vollman, Diana Grideyl and Barbara Behnke.

### ALLIES BOMB NAZI CAPITAL

**—45 Years Ago—**

RAF bombers struck Berlin Friday night with 2,800 tons of explosives in the western air campaign rolling in concert with the massive Russian land offensive that tore a new 62-mile hole in Nazi defenses and drove ever closer upon Rumania. In Italy German troops apparently strengthened their hold on their own ruined portion of Cassino, withstanding every Allied attempt to dislodge them.

Seventy-three British planes were lost from the fleet of more than 1,000 hitting heavily at Berlin's industrial areas and making side assaults on Kiel and other targets in western Germany, the RAF announced.

**WILLIAM RITT**

### You're Telling Me!

Angered by tax boosts and rising costs of purchases made in stores, Japanese housewives are staging a series of demonstrations in 352 Nipponese cities and towns. A wholesale protest against retail prices?

Now that the pigeons in Venice outnumber the birds, city officials plan to reduce their number drastically. Look like the feathered pests are in for a flock of trouble.

Venetians definitely insist their beautiful Italian town is NOT for the birds — and they really mean it.

The dental profession estimates Americans develop 112 million tooth cavities in a year. As Batman's Boy Wonder, Robin, might have said but didn't: Holey bicuspid!

Come to think of it, we doubt that there's anything so overrated at the coming the first week or two of spring.

A 100-pound man would weigh only 33 pounds on Mars — Factographs. A weakling like that should never risk such a hazardous trip in the first place!

The man at the next desk says that since Hawaii is so busily greeting visitors the year-around, the state's name abbreviated should be just a simply, little "Hi!"

### ISSUES PROCLAMATION

**—35 Years Ago—**

Governor Comstock has issued a proclamation urging general observances of Good Friday which falls this year on March 30.

### IN TOURNAMENT

**—45 Years Ago—**

Two Berrien county teams will take part in the state basketball tournament to be held in East Lansing. They will be St. Joseph and Bridgeman. Bridgeman won the class C regional title by defeating Vicksburg 17 to 9.

### LONG CAREER

**—35 Years Ago—**

The death of Mrs. James S.

Sikes followed by a day that of her husband who was widely known as a riverboat captain on the old St. Joe river for many years. Married when but a boy and girl they spent 48 years together and double funeral services were held in the town hall in Riverside. Captain Sikes, whose name will always be connected with river navigation in this area, guided the steamer May Graham on trips up and down the St. Joseph River for 30 years. He was born in Royalton township Feb. 20, 1847.

**IS BUILDING**

**—75 Years Ago—**

Will Aiken is building a residence in the Morrison addition.

### EDITOR'S MAILBAG

Editor,  
The Herald-Press:

#### READER DISCUSSES SEMINAR ON SEX

It is with a great deal of interest that I have been listening to the call-in programs on our two radio stations. This past week it has been kept busy about the sex education seminar that was held in Berrien Springs last Saturday. Most of the comments have been favorable to this seminar and the whole purpose was to keep this program out of our schools. This type of program must not be confused with the regular science class.

A number of complaints have been that the program was changed. As I understand it, a few days before the seminar the lady found out that Dr. Karl Kadub was very upset with the many statements of his hunting prowess contained in his letter. The elaborate defense mechanism — used to justify these violent acts in his and other people's minds, such as the claim that he has conservation foremost in mind. He likes to demonstrate his humane intentions toward animals by showing that these animals would only starve, poor things, or become diseased, suffer and die, if it were not for the hunter, who is going to do them a big favor by killing them off so they do not become too plentiful. ("I'm only trying to help.") Well, I don't like that theory because someday some nut might just use it on ME.

That excuse is also faulty because the user usually forgets that it was he in the first place who was responsible for unbalancing nature by killing off predators, thus allowing game animals to become overpopulated. And the excuse used for killing predators was that they competed with man for the game animals, taking away man's "overpopulation" excuse.

Franctically, then, the hunter may come up with the sure-fire excuse (no pun intended) that he eats what he kills, and that eating the kill always excuses the fact of killing. Here, too, logic fails him, for only man hunts for food with a full belly. Nature did not teach its natural predators to kill for the pure fun of it, it has been taught only to man BY man. Besides, I don't like the implications of that theory for the same reasons I don't like the first one.

I never said I was against the slaughter of domestic stock, seemingly necessary at the moment for our survival. In a question of who's to live, animals or humans, humans win hands down in my book every time. But there's a difference between necessary survival and bloodthirsty sport. Mr. Hassle knows this but is trying to confuse and cloud the issues to rationalize his war-like tendencies (fortunately sublimated to hunting animals at the moment).

Sensitivity training is supposed to be good for everybody. Really? How many call-in programs do you think there would be or letters to the editor be written if our self-confidence were destroyed and we became engulfed with a feeling of unworthiness?

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#### HE'S A HUNTER SHE'S AGAINST IT

I would like to reply to Mr. L.

F. Hassle's letter to the editor dated March 17, for he seems to be a prime victim of the type of indoctrination to which I had protested in my earlier letter.

He surely embodies all the full-blown characteristics of the typical hunter: Braggadocio — probably stemming from an inferiority complex, designed to win approval of other less accomplished warriors (witness the many statements of his hunting prowess contained in his letter). The elaborate defense mechanism — used to justify these violent acts in his and other people's minds, such as the claim that he has conservation foremost in mind. He likes to demonstrate his humane intentions toward animals by showing that these animals would only starve, poor things, or become diseased, suffer and die, if it were not for the hunter, who is going to do them a big favor by killing them off so they do not become too plentiful. ("I'm only trying to help.") Well, I don't like that theory because someday some nut might just use it on ME.

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Why don't you just admit it, Mr. Hassle? The real reason you enjoy hunting isn't because you're hungry.

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## DR. COLEMAN

# ..And Speaking Of Your Health

Women occasionally develop a

a little different or more powerful and cause an infection that is passed on to someone else.

Throat cultures may sometimes show that the step is present in large quantities and when bombarded by large doses of antibiotics, will respond to them.

Many bacteria and fungi live during health in the mouth in a close relationship. A happy balance exists and the bacteria are able to control the growth of the fungus so that it does not overrun its confines. It is for this reason that I repeatedly advise readers not to suck canary lozenges that contain any antibiotics. These can be extremely harmful because the amount of antibiotics they contain is worthless against infection. That same quantity, however, is sufficient to upset the balance between the bacteria and the fungus and permit the latter to run wild and produce distressing symptoms.

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Twin City  
News

## ELECTRICITY HIT SCENE IN BH 80 YEARS AGO



**THE PROBLEM:** Raging waves push Lake Michigan close to the shelter at Lions park, beach, St. Joseph. Higher lake levels and stiff winds have

made big inroads on once spacious beach similar to the problem that has eliminated beaches along the lake bluff south of the park.



**THE SOLUTION?**: City of St. Joseph rushed three front-end loaders to Lions park yesterday to move sand as backup for jetties in emergency measure

to stop waves from undercutting beach and endangering shelter. (Staff photos)

## Deputy Rescues Motorist Following Crash On I-94

A semi-conscious driver was rescued from his car early today when a Berrien county sheriff deputy on I-94 spotted the lights of the car in a field near Boyer road, Coloma township.

Admitted to Berrien General hospital, Daniel A. Kiser, 22, of route 4, Coloma, was reported in fairly good condition this morning. X-rays were to be taken to determine the extent of his injuries.

Deputy George Vollrath said he found Kiser in his car about 1 a.m. today. Kiser revived as soon as the deputy touched him and complained of back and neck injuries.

Kiser reported losing control of his car when a semi-truck passed his car, causing whirrs of snow to obscure his vision.

Deputy Vollrath came across the stalled car while patrolling

I-94. Vollrath said he came across four other accidents about the same time, each caused by slippery road conditions.

A girl student at Benton Harbor high school was suspended from school for a week yesterday for stealing another girl's coat, Benton Harbor police reported. She also was petitioned to Berrien juvenile court for possession of stolen property.

Benton Harbor youth officers said the coat was identified by a label with the owner's name on it. The coat was reported missing earlier this month.

Three persons were treated and released from Benton Harbor Mercy hospital following an accident yesterday afternoon on M-139, north of Napier avenue.

Treated were drivers Joe Akins, 58, of route 2, Coloma, and Scott R. Bookwalter, 17, of 285 Messner drive, Benton drive, Benton township, and a passenger in Bookwalter's car, David Prior, 16, of 217 Messner drive.

Benton township Patrolman Roger Peters said Akins had stopped to make a left turn when his car was struck from behind. Bookwalter's car glanced off his car and struck one parked in the Blossomland Motors Inc. parking lot, 1529 M-139.

Bookwalter was issued a summons for failing to stop in an assured clear distance.

tions. No one was injured in the other four accidents.

The Benton township planning commission will hold a public meeting tomorrow at 7:30 p.m. in the Fairplain junior high school building on the basic zoning plan for Napier avenue. The township basic plan calls for residential zoning on Napier between Colfax avenue and M-139. Some of the area is now commercial and a hearing is scheduled April 24 on rezoning property at 751 East Napier to permit construction of a Jewel Food store. The rezoning request is a change from D-2 commercial, which restricts buildings to professional offices, to D-1 commercial, which would permit a supermarket.

George Welch, planning commission chairman, said the public meeting is being held tomorrow so residents can express their views without the heat of a public hearing.

John Murry of 166 Harrison street, Benton Harbor, turned himself into city police this morning to face a charge of leaving the scene of a personal injury accident.

Murry was charged as a result of an accident Monday night on Piperton when David White, 35, of 375 Brunson avenue was struck after just getting out of his car. White was reported in fair condition this morning at Mercy hospital.

Murry surrendered after police impounded a car they said was registered to Murry.

**Air Basic Zoning Plan For Napier**

**Grand Rapids Schools Are Still Closed**

GRAND RAPIDS (AP) — The Grand Rapids Board of Education, forced to close all schools today because of the continued teacher walkout, was expected to seek an injunction to send the 1,600 instructors back into the classrooms.

The hearing was to be held by Circuit Judge Stuart Hoffius.

Monday Judge Hoffius issued a restraining order halting the Grand Rapids Education Association from conducting teacher meetings during normal school hours.

Dr. Norman Weinheimer, superintendent of schools, said it was decided to close all 71 schools today since only about 20 per cent of the regular staff teachers had been reporting daily since the professional work stoppage began last Friday. Some 34,700 youths are affected by the school closure.

The place is owned by Martin Nelson and is called "Zip In and Out."

## One Lamp Installed In Store

**Now Area Is About To Enter Atomic Age**

By TOM BRUNDRETT  
Staff Writer

Electric power service in Benton Harbor and St. Joseph marks its 80th anniversary Thursday.

It was the beginning of an electric power era which has now advanced into the nuclear-generating age.

The event was the signing of the first contract for electric power of March 27, 1889. O. B. Hipp, a banker and a Benton Harbor clothier, agreed to accept the service for a year at a \$1 a month, if and when the generating plant was actually put into operation.

### FOR ONE LAMP

Unlike today, when the flip of a switch starts light, heat and powerful machinery, the service was for one 1,200 candlepower arc lamp. It was to be installed in Hipp's store.

The lamp in the store as well as later street lights were operated only until midnight daily. Electrical power for the lamp came from a generating station located on West Main street.

The power was produced by the Benton Harbor and St. Joseph Electric Light company. A secondhand steam engine and a dynamo were used.

Col. W. Worth Bean had organized the firm after he and business partners had acquired the St. Joseph and Benton Harbor Street Railway company.

The organization provided the power, as well as electrifying the railway firm, until 1906 when they were taken over by interests from Louisville, Ky., headed by C.K. Minary. In 1922, the American Gas and Electric company took over and made the system part of the Indiana & Michigan Electric company. The street car franchise was acquired by the Twin City Railway Co. in 1928 and later abandoned.

Since the signing of the first contract, power service has come a long way. About 18,000-20,000 customers in the Benton Harbor-St. Joseph area now receive the service. It runs computers, engines, furnaces, lights, generators and entire production lines.

I&M, along with its parent firm — the American Electric Power company — is building a \$300 million nuclear power plant near Bridgeman. The AEP is the successor of the American Gas and Electric company.

**Seniors of the Lakeshore Key club will take on the faculty in a basketball game Friday in the high school gym. The student-faculty clash at 8:30 p.m. will be preceded by three preliminary games involving sixth grade teams starting at 6 p.m. Tickets are available from Key club members and at the door.**

**Books Are Closed Out In Sodus**

**Students, Faculty Meet On Court**

**BH Youth Appears In Two Courts**

**Hit-Run Suspect Surrenders**

**Tri-Cap Open House Is Thursday**

**Car Kept With Theme**

**Road Deaths Up To 412**

**By Associated Press**

March 26 State Police Count:

This Year 412

Last Year 401

## CONTRACT FOR ELECTRIC LIGHTS.

IN consideration that the Benton Harbor and St. Joseph Electric Light Company will erect an Electric Light plant to furnish such lights to consumers, agree to take One Lamp ...  
Electric Lights of 1200 Nominal Candle Power each, to light Tiny Clothing Store Mainst. for a term of one year from the day when said company shall be in readiness to furnish said lights; for which 1 agree to pay \$1.00 per month for each month, payable monthly, for one year. 1 to pay for wiring the premises, including wire and lamps and all renewals, chandeliers, drops and shades, if used. And tender of performance on the part of said Company at any time hereafter shall be accepted by 7:00 as compliance with all conditions precedent on the part of said Company, and as the date of the commencement of the year herein contracted for. The lamps to burn from lighting until 12 o'clock. O. B. Hipp, St. Joseph, Mich. 27, 1889 E.P. Niles 1 SEAL

**START OF SOMETHING POWERFUL:** This is a facsimile of the first contract for electricity in the Twin Cities. It was signed 80 years ago tomorrow.



## Elected By Credit Union

Directors of the Whirlpool Employees Federal Credit Union yesterday re-elected John Conrad president of the 7,148 membership organization.

Other officers re-elected at the special board meeting following the annual meeting held recently at the Statler-Hilton Inn were Donald Steinke, vice president; Erwin Hoeble, treasurer and Betty Grigereit, secretary.

Betty Grigereit and Steinke were re-elected to three-year terms on the board by the members. Also re-elected at the annual meeting were Joe Bartalone and Ray DeLisle on the credit committee.

ONE OF LARGEST

Conrad said at the annual meeting the credit union, one of the largest in Michigan, had assets of \$6,919,733; loans increased to \$5,235,513; and shares to \$6,546,653. Since its organization 20 years ago the credit union has loaned a total of \$376,905.

Chairman of the annual meeting was Harold W. Schwoebel, director of member relations.

Others on the board of directors are Tony Ball, Lloyd Coleman and Harvey Totzke. The credit committee includes James Mann, chairman, Larry Berner, Harry First, Bartalone and DeLisle. Supervisory committee includes Arland Adkins, chairman, Rein Patzer, Elmer Parcher, Warren Hahn and Wayne Jensen.

## Time Same All Over Michigan

**WASHINGTON (AP) — Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe has ruled that Michigan's upper peninsula will operate under Eastern Standard Time.**

Rep. Philip E. Rupre, R-Mich., who reported Volpe's action Tuesday, said the change from the central to the eastern zone will be effective April 27.

Under Volpe's ruling all of Michigan will now observe Eastern Standard Time.

Rupre said some areas near the Wisconsin border preferred the central time with six months of summer daylight time.

"However," he said, "since summer daylight time is not a legal option in Michigan, opinion coming into my office into the Department of Transportation ran nearly 10 to 1 in favor of the eastern zone."

## Bill Seeks To Curb Pornographic Materials

LANSING (AP) — An extremely explicit bill, intended to define and curb sale or distribution of pornographic materials, has been introduced in the House by Rep. James E. O'Neill, D-Saginaw.

O'Neill's bill, which he said is modeled after a New York law, would allow courts to set fines of as much as \$10,000.

The difficulty of enforcing so-called "dirty books and filthy pictures" ordinances has stemmed partly from U.S. Supreme Court rulings that such mate-

rials must be found "without redeeming social importance." Too, the high court consistently has held such statutes impinge more on First Amendment freedoms of speech and expression than they curb license.

O'Neill's bill would hold any material to be pornographic if "considered as a whole, its predominant appeal is to prurient interest . . . a shameful or morbid interest in nudity, sex, excretion, sadism or masochism."

## Lakeshore Drama Club Portrays Fairy Tale

The Lakeshore junior high school drama club will present several performances of the Grimm's Fairy Tale, "Rumpelstiltskin". The first performances were to be given at the Stewart elementary school and Baroda elementary school today and Thursday. The group will perform for the junior high school on April 9, and three performances are scheduled on April 20 for the Twin Cities Arts Festival.

The leading role of Rumpelstiltskin will be played by Doug Olt, and The Shadow by Marcy Ciesielska. Dan Rice will be King Crispin and Barbara Kramer will be Happily The Bluebird.

Others performers are Patricia Stafinski as Aunt Cockatoo; Rick Baker as the Miller; Denise Barbus as the Miller's daughter, Grizell. The princesses will be played by Kathy Luttrell as Coris; Esther Krager as Lisbeth; Karen Draga as Marthe; and Gail Schmidtke as Kirsten.

Virginia Tilly, advisor of the Drama club and English teacher, is directing the play with the aid of Sally Bayliff as student director.

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## STATE REJECTS EAU CLAIRE BUILDING PLANS

### Governor Will Attend Dedication

South Haven's Marina Ceremony Slated July 3

SOUTH HAVEN — Michigan's Governor William G. Milliken has accepted an invitation by the South Haven Centennial Commission to attend the dedication ceremonies July 3 of the city's new marina, it was announced today.

Commission chairman James Donahue said he has received a letter from Gov. Milliken in which the governor has confirmed the commission's invitation.

"This new marina will be a source of pride for the entire state," Milliken said in his letter, "and it will be a pleasure for me to assist with the dedication ceremonies."

#### FORMAL OCCASION

Donahue said the governor was one of many state and federal officials invited to the dedication tentatively set for 5:30 p.m. July 3. He said the dedication will be a formal occasion and will probably be one of the highlights of the centennial.

Also invited to attend were U.S. Senators Philip Hart and Robert Griffin, U.S. Congressman Edward Hutchinson, State Senator Gary Byker, State Representative Edson Root, city officials and representatives of the Michigan Waterways commission.

The dedication will be immediately followed by an hour-long water show at the marina.

The marina, currently under construction by Canonic Construction company of South Haven at an estimated cost of \$347,000, will be financed jointly by the city and waterways commission. Canonic Construction company has confirmed that the work will be nearly complete at the site by July 3, and that facilities will be in order at that time for the dedication.

After completion, the marina will be designed to accommodate up to 64 boats. The facility should be open for business early in July.

### Champs Cited

LANSING (AP) — Rep. Matthew McNeely, D-Detroit, has introduced a resolution in the House to commend the River Rouge Panthers for their 83-50 defeat of Kalamazoo Hackett in the just ended Class B state basketball champion



GOVERNOR MILLIKEN

### No Reason For Denial Is Offered

#### Okay Needed Before Issue Goes To Voters

EAU CLAIRE — The Michigan Department of Education has denied approval of the preliminary plans of the Eau Claire school district to build a new junior-senior high school and to remodel the present high school.

Supt. Don K. Silcox said the State Department of Education gave no reason for the denial in a letter received by the Eau Claire board of education.

Approval of the plans by the state was necessary to allow the Eau Claire board to hold a special election for district residents to vote on a bond proposal to pay for the program.

Silcox said the Eau Claire district worked for 2½ years with educational consultant Dr. Charles Lehmann of the University of Michigan and school architect Richard Miller of Elkhart, Ind., before submitting the preliminary plans for approval.

#### EXPLANATION SOUGHT

The superintendent said the Eau Claire board will now ask the state Department of Education to send an official to Eau Claire to look over the 50-year-old high school building and explain to the board the reasons for denial.

The Eau Claire board holds an option on a site for the new building on what is known as the Avery property on Hochberger road. Supt. Silcox said the total cost of the proposed program including site, construction, furnishings, and re-

modeling would have been about \$2.6 million. Eau Claire voters would have had to approve about seven mills in more taxes to pay for the program.

If the preliminary plans had been approved the Eau Claire board had hoped to hold an election in early summer with construction to be started in the spring of 1970.

#### FOUR ALTERNATIVES

The building program is urgent, Silcox said. The high school is overcrowded and some elementary classes are being held in suburban facilities.

Silcox said the Eau Claire board now has four choices of

action. He said the alternatives are: 1. To push for reconsideration of the present plans; 2. Modify present plans and present a less costly program; 3. drop plans for any new construction and remodel and add to present buildings; 4. attempt a study of reorganization with one or more surrounding school districts.

No decision will be made, he said, until the Eau Claire board can learn why the program was denied state approval.

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